

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Newell, et al.

Serial No. 09/854,153

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For: CHANNEL GAIN CONTROL
FOR AN OPTICAL
COMMUNICATIONS
SYSTEMS UTILIZING
FREQUENCY DIVISION
MULTIPLEXING



Group Art Unit: 2633
Examiner: Bello, Agustin

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136 FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Official Action mailed January 24, 2006 such extension allowing the undersigned until February 24, 2006 to respond.

A fee authorization is enclosed to cover this extension fee. However, if the fee authorization is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505\5957-41409\RDR.

Respectfully submitted,

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